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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-0931]

Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to the Office of

Management and Budget

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business

The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If you anticipate that

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you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB, via email Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov; and to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, (2) look for the section of the Web page called "Currently Under Review," (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the "Select Agency" box below the "Currently Under Review" heading, (4) select "Federal Communications Commission" from the list of agencies presented in the "Select Agency" box, (5) click the "Submit" button to the right of the "Select Agency" box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the OMB control number of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the

burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0931.

Title: Section 80.103, Digital Selective Calling (DSC) Operating Procedures—Maritime Mobile Identity (MMSI).

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit entities and Federal

Government.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 40,000 respondents; 40,000 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: .25 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement and third-party disclosure

requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this Information collection is in 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 307(e), 309 and 332 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. The reporting requirement is contained in international agreements and ITU-R M.541.9.

Total Annual Burden: 10,000 hours.

Total Annual Cost: No cost.

Privacy Impact Assessment: Yes. The FCC maintains a system of records notice (SORN),

FCC/WTB-1, "Wireless Services Licensing Records" that covers the collection, purpose(s),

storage, safeguards, and disposal of the PII that marine VHF radio licensees maintain under 47

CFR 80.103.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is a need for confidentiality with respect to all

owners of Marine VHF radios with Digital Selective Calling (DSC) capability in this collection.

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The licensee records will be publicly available and routinely used in accordance with subsection

(b) of the Privacy Act of 1974. FRN numbers and material which is afforded confidential

treatment pursuant to a request made under 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission's rules will not be

available for public inspection. Any personally identifiable information (PII) that individual

applicants provide is covered by a system of records, FCC/WTB-1, "Wireless Services Licensing

Records", and these and all other records may be disclosed pursuant to the Routine Uses as stated

in the SORN.

Needs and Uses: The information collected is necessary to require owners of marine VHF radios

with Digital Selective Calling (DSC) capability to register information such as the name, address,

type of vessel with a private entity issuing marine mobile service identities (MMSI). The

information would be used by search and rescue personnel to identify vessels in distress and to

select the proper rescue units and search methods.

The requirement to collect this information is contained in international agreements with the U.S.

Coast Guard and private sector entities that issue MMSI's.

The information is used by private entities to maintain a database used to provide information

about the vessel owner in distress using marine VHF radios with DSC capability. If the data were

not collected, the U.S. Coast Guard would not have access to this information which would

increase the time and effort needed to complete a search and rescue operation.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene Dortch,

Secretary.

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